DOUBLE SHEET NEWS BY TELEGRAPH. TWO WEEKS LATER FROM CALIFORNIA. Arrival of the Philadelphia at New Orleans.

THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO IN ASIES.

"Two Millions and a Quarter of Gold en route for New York.

Fifteen Thousand Majority for Pierce in California.

HIGHLY INTERESTING FROM CUBA.

Reported Release of the Captain and Crew of the Lady Suffolk.

BRITISH MEN-OF-WAR ON THE LOOKOUT FOR A FLEET OF SLAVERS.

PROCEEDINGS IN CONGRESS. THE MEXICAN REVOLUTIONISTS.

FATAL ACCIDENTS-THE MARKETS,

&c., &c., &c

The News from California. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 8, 1852.

The steamship Philadelphia arrived at this port this She brings the California mails and San Francisco

dates to the 15th of November. The news is of a highly important character.

The city of Sacramento has been almost entirely des troyed by fire. Nearly every house was burned, and many lives were lost Destructive fires have also occurred in San Francisco

The steam propeller City of Pittsburg was burned at Valparaise on the 30th of October. She was owned in

The State has gone for Pierce and King, by about 15,000 majority. [Probably 1,500] The clipper ship Sovereign of the Seas, Capt. McKay,

from New York 4th of August, has arrived out at San The Philadelphia sailed in company with the steamship Illinois, for New York, which vessel has two and a

quarter millions of gold dust on freight. The Philadelphia has 300 passengers; she sailed from Aspinwail on the 2d inst. The Illinois has 200 passengers.

The News from Cube

New ORLEANS, Dec 9, 1852.
Private Havana letters, received here by the Cherokee. state that the captain and crew of the ship Lady Suffolk had been released causing much excitement amongst the

Even or eight slave ships are expected on the coast, and sit the British vessels of war are cruising off the Island awaiting them This has been the object of so many Foglish vessels coll ecting at Havana

A new revolutionary paper, called the Vox des Puebla. has been started at Matanzas. It is published in manu script and several copies have been sent to the Captain-

IN THE SENATE, ETC.
SPILIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE NEW YORK HERALD. The Senate in executive session, to day, confirmed Hon Edward Everett's nomination as Secretary of State Some executive messages were taken up, but not acted upon, as the committees have not yet been chosen. It is believed that Mr Meriwether will be retained in

his seat, as Senator from Kentucky, the matter having assumed a party character. The town is crowded. Among the arrivals is Col. Per-

kins, the Boston millionare, at Willard's. X. Y. Z. THE ORIGINAL PROPOSITION FOR THE PURCHASE OF

CUEA-DEATHSOF CLAY AND WEBSTER ANNOUNCED IN THE SUPREME COURT - CONSUL RECOGNISED— PRINTING PAPER CONTRACTS, ETC. FROM A RECULAR CORRESPONDENT.

The fact, not generally known, has come to our know-Spain in 1846, first sounded the Spanish government with respect to the purchase of Cuba; not officially, yet according to suggestion from this government, and his representations led to the further steps taken by Polk's adninistration.

In the Supreme Court yesterday, the deaths of Webster, Clay, Judge McKinley, and John Sergeant were an-

ster, Clay, Judge McKinley, and John Bergeant were announced Appropriate eulogies were delivered, and the customary resolutions passed.

The President recognizes Jose Mitchell as Consul for Gustemals and Porto Rico. at New Orleans

H V Butler & Co., who received contracts for supplying the printing paper were not the lowest aggregate bidders, their prices being fourteen cents per pound for first class, fifteen for second, and seventeen for the third—but were accepted as the lowest bidders, samples considered.

sidered.

It is rather singular, but the Washington papers make no mention yet of the arrival of the steamer Fulton from Havana.

## THIRTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

Washington, December 9, 1852.

Mr. Walks a took his seat to-day. DOCUMENTS FROM THE TREASURY AND INTERIOR DEPART-

MENTS. ment containing the accounts of the U.S. Treasurer. Also from Interior department, showing the balance of appropriations for that department remaining unexpended Leid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

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COMMITTEE ON ENACLIED BILLS.

On motion of Mr. HANLIN, the committee on enrolled bills of last session was authorized to act until the committees were regularly appointed.

Mr. HALE'S resolution, repealing the rule that the Senate will not adopt the honors and ceremonies, in cases where members of Congress die during the recess, which are usually adopted in cases when members die during the session, was then taken up.

Mr. HALE urged the repeal of the rule. He thought the Senate ought not to have a solemn resolve on its records, that it will be indifferent to the blows which death might strike among the members during the vacation.

Mr. Cass said he thought the rule a wise one when adopted, and he could see no reason for its repeal.

The resolution was rejected—ayes, 16; mays. 22.

It was ordered that when the Senate adjourned it be to Mchoday.

Mcndsy.

Mr. Cass moved an executive session. Agreed to.

At one o'clock the doors were reopened, and the Senate
adjourned till Monday.

## WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 1852.

THE DEATH OF MR. THOMPSON. The journal of yesterday having been read,

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Mr. Buncan, of Massachusetts, rose, and announced
the death of his colleague, the Hon. Benjamin Thompson,
a representative of the House from the Fourth Congressional district of that State, which took place on the 24th
September last, at his home in Charlestown. He was in
the fifty-fourth year of his age. Mr. D. passed a eulogy
on the deceased for his moderation, intelligence, and
fidelity to duty, and his sincerity as a Christian; and in
the conclusion of his brief speech submitted the usual
recolutions of condolence and regret, and for the members
to wear crape for thirty days.

Mr. Chardles said in the course of his eulogy on Mr.
Thompson, that he had known him only for nime months
in the present Congress, but was privileged to hold close
communication with his heart, which was the seat of all
manly honor and gentle affection.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously, and as a
further mark of respect, the House adjourned.

Honors to the Illustrious Dead.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 9, 1852 celebrated here to day. The procession is the largest over know in this city. Business is suspended, and our whole population is in the streets, and vast numbers of strangers are also present.

PORTLAND, Mc Dec. 10—12 45 A. M.

The break in the Eastern telegraph line still continues and we are unable to communicate direct with Halifax. but at the late hour of our last despatch, the Ningara had not arrived. There is no prospect of getting her

Items from Heltimere.

BALLET GIRL ACCIDENTALLY EILLED—MR BOOTH'S
REMAINS—FURTHER FROM MEXICO AND TEXAS—
PROPOSED INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS IN NORTH CAROLINA-MUNG NEWS, ETC.

BALTIMORE. Dec. 9-P. M. Ellen Caperilla, a ballet girl, at the Front Street Theatre, fell from the flies to night, about half-past 6 o'clock, on to the stage, and was instantly killed. She went up to

dress for the performances.

The remains of Mr. Booth, the tragedian, arrived here this morning, in a metallic sarcophagus and the funeral will take place to-morrow. They were brought on by a

The mail is through from New Orleans. The papers contain Texas dates to the 30th November. Wild Cat, it was rumored, had joined the revolutionists against Matamoras, and was endeavoring to raise recruits amongst the Americans.

The insurrectionists at Tamaulipas claim to have \$50.000 on the way from Tampico to delray their expenses, and refuse to let any Americans, or Caravajal, join them.

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On Thursday, the 2d inst. twenty-five steamboats arrived at New Orleans, bringing immense amounts of produce, and 24.000 bales of cotton.

The new mayor of Savannah, Richard Wayne, is a domecrat, and the aldermen elected are also democrats. Officer Goldey, of Philadelphia, to day, arrested a woman named Isabel Bozath, on a charge of stealing \$1,500 from Jacob Carney, of Camden, New Jerrey. She returned to Philadelphia in custody of the officer.

A bill has been introduced in the North Carolina Legislature, providing for the appropriation of \$3,500 000 for the purposes of internal improve men., \$2,000 000 to be applied to the extension of the North Carolina Railroad to some point in Tennessee, the money to be raised on loan, payable in thirty years. A bill to give the election of clerks and masters in equity to the people has been indefinitely postponed in the Senate Certain newsmongers in this city, who always stand ready to steal what does not belong to them, aunounce the arrival of the Nisgara at Haifax. Of course, no respectable persons place any reliance upon the rumor.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT-COAL BOAT SUNK, AND TWO LIVES LOST-RETURN AND TRIAL OF SIX OF THE CREW OF THE SHIP MOSLEM.

PHILADELPHIA. Dec. 9, 1852. The mail train of the Pilot line run off the track near Princeton last evening, and did not arrive here till three

A coal boat from Bristol sunk at Pius street wharf early this morning, and two men, who were asleep in the cabin, were drowned. Six of the crew of the ship Moslem, of New York— brought home from Cape Town in the sloop-of war St. Marys—were committed for trial this morning, by Com-missioner Ingraham, on a charge of refusing to do their duty.

Syracuse.

MR MEAGHER-SUICIDE-ACCIDENT.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 9, 1852. Mr. Meagher delivered a lecture here this evening before the Franklin Institute. The audience was large in spite of stormy weather. The wife of David Rice, of Baldwinsville, committed

suicide by hanging herself, on Saturday last. Yesterday, at the new machine shop of the Syraouse and Rochester Railroad Company, a plank fell a distance of twenty feet. In the descent it struck an employee, named Henry Robins, on the head, and inflicted serious

A JAPAN EXPEDITION FROM RUSSIA—THE PRESI-DENT ELECT IN BOSTON ON A VISIT TO HIS NIECE. BOSTON, Dec. 9, 1852 General Pierge and his wife are in this city, and were

present last evening at the marriage of Mrs Jamiesona piece of the General - to Mr. Henshaw, of West

The following is an extract from a letter in the Salem Register, written by an intelligent American, long resident in Russia:- "St. Pstersburgh, October 16, 1852 -The in Russia:—"8t. Pstersburgh, October 16, 1862—The Emperor has started an expedition for Japan—consisting of the frigate Pallas, a tender, and a sorew steamer bought in England—to be under the command of Vice Admiral Peatslme, a very efficient officer, and a worthy man. The frigate left Cronstadt a few weeks since, and will stop at some port in the English channel, where the expedition will finally start from It is said to be for scientific purposes, but it is pretty certain it is sent to watch the American expedition, of which they are almost ridiculously jesious. The river here is full of floating ice, and when once started it will soon get bound and be safe for foot-crossing. Fortunately, all American ships have got away."

Workester, Dec. 9, 1852

The case of William Harty, of Phillipston, for the murder of his wife Margaret, which has been on trial for the last two days, was concluded this morning, and the jury rendered a verdict of net gullty.

Stabbing Affray.

Barron, Pa., Dec 9, 1852

During a dispute yesterday in this place, between Wm. Calley and W. H. Shwordy, on money matters, the former stabbed the latter so severely that it is feared he cannot

New ORLEANS, Dec 7, 1852. The steamship Pampero sailed to-day for San Juan Nicaragus, with one hundred passengers.

The Steamer City of Pittsburg.

The steamship City of Pittsburg was owned by the Philadelphia and Liverpool Steamship Compuny, and is b-lieved to be fully insured. She was valued at \$125,000

Markets.

New Orleans, Dec. 7, 1852.

The sales of cotton to day were 8,000 bales, at irregular prices showing a decline of 1/3c since Saturday. Low mideling is quoted at Sc. and strict middling at 81/3c.

Freights—1d. is now being asked for cotton to Liverpool. Our merchants are anxiously awaiting the Niagara's news.

news.

New Orleans, Dec. 9, 1852

The sales of cotton yesterday, Wednesday, were 6,500 bales, the market being easy at Tuesday's quotations. Flour has declined to \$4.25 a \$4.37\fo Ohio. To day business is suspended on account of the funeral ceremovies.

Hogs are selling at \$6.35 a \$6.50. The receipts thus far are 198,000 sgainst 160,000 at same time last year. Lard is at 10c. for barrels and 10) 6. for kegs. Mess pork \$16.50 a \$16.75.

516 50 a \$16 75.

On Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, the receipts of corn in our market were immense, and the sales were very large at a decline in prices. Yesterday and to-day, the receipts have been light, and the supply of white corn not equal to the demand. The market is dull, and yellow is inactive at 58a 50c., and white at 53 a 55c. Wheat is steady. Sales have been made within a few days of 1,600 bbls, new Western mess pork to government, at \$20 per bbl.

BY MORSE'S LINE, OFFICE BASEMENT NO. 226 WALL STREET
THURSDAY, Dec. 9, 1852
BUFFALO, 10 A. M.—Barometer 29 20. Thermometer
45. Wind southwest. Clear and pleasant. Rochester, 10 A. M.—Cloudy and cold. Wind west. Looks like snow. Thermometer 35. Augurn, 10 A. M.—Cloudy morning. Strong west wind. Thermometer 44

Byracusz. 10 A. M — Dark, cloudy morning; appearance of storm. Wind southwest. Thermometer 42. Utica, 10 A M.—Cloudy morning. Wind north. Thermometer 40. Looks stormy.

ALBANY, 10 A. M.—Fine pleasant morning. Wind north-west Thermometer 45. Barometer 29.990 Mercury 69.

The Fulton from Havara.

THE SPANISH, PRENCH, RNGLISH, AND AMERICAN MEN OF WAR IN PORT.

[From the National Intelligencer. Dec. 8.]

The United States steamer Fulton, Commander Jackson, arrived at the Washington navy yard yesterday, is five days from Havana, bringing despatches for the government. The following is a list of the officers of the Fulton:—

C. H. Jackson. Commander; J. M. Duncan, First Lieutenant; Edward Hudon. Passed Assistant Surgeon; J. J. Hanson, Acting Master; Henry Hunt, Chief Engineer; E. R. F. Lewis. Passed Midshipman; J. Sparks, Midshipman; E. F DeLuce, Second Assistant Engineer; C. Pomroy, third Assistant Engineer; — Crowell. Captain's Clerk

An officer of the Fulton bas kindly furnished us with the following list of men-of-war vessels in the port of Havana.

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was frequently used in the construction of those buildings has in the sines werk cement and lime was used, and with such perfection, that no attempt upon the part of those who seek materials for mer buildings, can separate those bricks to this hour. The bricks are of the most beautiful kind of a pale red and, in sound part, the walls look so fresh and so beautiful, and the line of the bricks is so clearly marked that the traveller finds it difficult to believe that it is not some fresh work of modern enterprise, but grewing up in the streets of Rabylon. Herodetus speaks of the temple of Belius, and the serious that the serious control to the large of the serious that he had been great difficulty among those who have explored these ruins, in identifying that had been control to the serious states of the large which was the interpretation put upon the descriptions given by the ancients of the city; but the building which is now identified by Mr. Rich and Sir Robert Ker Porter at the ancients of the city; but the building which is now identified by Mr. Rich and Sir Robert Ker Porter at the ancient flower of Nimrod, and which is skill, cand the cridence which exists to show that this must be the ruin of the building which Herodetus describes a such as to lead to a new reading of those passages which have hithered placed the site of this building upon the castern side of the river. On its western side of the river were though the solid brick that the street of the building which the roduct describe the side of the street of the street

Lecture of Mr. Shen, on the Early Catholic Missions in America. Yesterday evening the fifth lecture of the course

which is being gone through at the Stuyve ant Institute.

Broadway, was delivered by Mr. J. G. Shea, who chose for his subject- Early Catholic Missions among the Indian Tribes in the United States and Canada " He comfact, remarkable for establishing brotherhood of races, by propagating the doctrine of the unity of the human To make it a recorded reality became the early object of the Roman Catholic Church. It was, in fact the very soul of the Catholic Church In prosperity, as well as in adversity, it has continued to send out missions to the farthest portions of the earth, to bring souls within the pale of Christianity In the early days of her histo ry, as well as in later times, we behold devoted heralds departing on the greatest of human undertakings—the saivation of human souls. Despite of the many dangers savatation of infinite were still ready to brave all difficulties. They were as lively as energetic, as is faith the side. That faith has animated all hearts, from the prince to the peasant, till they were childed by uncathoide errors. The sarry missions of the Church were the bearer of civilization to all the lands which they visited. Northern Europeome all to the hely church. When Iceland became christianized, the tenets of the Church extended to Greenland, for a colony was quickly formed. The Ring, who headed the inlesions baptized the Chief of Greenland. Icelands and Greenland soon had churches, convents, bishops, and seats of learning. Missions, to extend the consoling influence of christianity in the neighborhood were soon designed, and one bishop is known to have let his see in Greenland and gone routh. The St. Lawrence river was certainly reached, and perhaps New England and New York were likewise touched. The colonies in Greenland perhebed and the missions were temporarily suspended, but word toon after spread of there being new lands beyond the broad Atlantic, and I love to think that the first tidings of its existence were given by an emissary of the Catholic Church. In those times, man was wandering from one European court to another, jin order to obtain means to set out and find the suspected land. He sought those new countries in order to accordant priests on holy missions, and began their work the moment the armies landed. Each soldier, too, felt a partious of the prince of the surface of the sur

that the taxets of the Church extended even to the shores of the Pacific, and will continue to be presented as long as the red man maintains an existence. The lec-turer concluded by presenting forcibly the contrasts be tween the wide spread missions of the Roman Catholic Church and those of Protestant rects.

Land Reform League. A meeting of this body took place last evening at their old headquarters, Military Hall. A Sharrot in the

chair, and O. White acted as secretary.

Mr. Commercan rose and said that there were several persons whom he knew, that were in favor of paying certain sum per week towards defraying the expen of their meetings. There could be easily subscribed \$30 a week He moved that five hundred circulars, or

pledges, be printed.

Mr. Davvn cald that he would amend the motion by the circulars the principles of the land reformers should

Mr Smith moved that a collector be appointed to cel-

Mr. Devre opposed that motion
Mr Smith proposed that the collectors should have

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Mr. Sairis proposed that the collectors should have a per centage.
Mr. Sairis motion was then brought up and adepted Mr. Dugas said that he wished to make a few remarks in reference to their organization. They must have a fixed fund centributed towards the society. He was in favor of every member paying a stipulated sum yearly. They could not depend on a weekly fund. By having branch societies throughout the country they would amport each other. They must have the money in their hands, and if they could have the fixed sum of \$1 yearly from each member, it would be better than the weekly sub-cription.
Mr. Devvn said that it was now too late for Mr. Dugan to make any such motion. As a general thing the men who belong to the Land Reform Leagus were too poor to pay so large a sum as a deliar at once. They could easily sub-cribe six cents per week which would be better in the end thas the yearly sub-cription. They intended to enforce the collection of that fund. Great things always grew out of small beginnings. He then offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved. That the Senate of the United States be, and they are hereby requested to carry out the sarnest desire of the democratic people of this country, and to pass the Homestead bill into a law, with the least possible delay.
Mr. Davvn said that in reference to the resolution, he would make a few remarks. The Homestead bill must be passed—it is the poor man's only resources for comfort. It reemed as if nature had ordained that they, not the rich men should do that great work, which would bless this country. The rich had east the burden on their shoulders, and they were bound to dispose of it in a fiting manner.

Mr. Commensor said that he had received three letters from different members of Congress at Washington relative to the Homestead bill. It has more friends there at present than ever it had. He coincided with the writer of a letter which appeared in the Haralla afew days since, in which he said that General P

WANT OF A LIGHTHOUSE ON THE Saw AND PIGS LEDGE.

—In reference to the loss of the bark Avola, the other day, on the Sow and Pigs Ledge at the mouth of Vinsyard Sound, and other disasters that frequently occur at that spot. the New Bedford Mercury says:—"The light beat in that vicinity affords no sufficient protection to the navigator. It is confidently asserted, by competent judges, that the erestion of a lighthouse upon this dangerous ledge, is not only practicable but comparatively easy of accumplishment, and it is believed that the average leres incurred at that place in a single year would be more than sufficient to defray the expense of its erection. We trust that a strong appeal will be made to Congress upon the subject at the present ression."

Lauschen—At Medford, by Mr. Lapnam, ship Phantem of 1,340 tons owned by Mesars Crocker & Surgia and others, of Borton, to lead for California in Mesars Giliaden & Williams' line of paskets and to be communded by Capitain Henry Devens Competent judges prontunce her equal to any ship in the United States.

THE CHINA CLIPPER RACE day, on the Sow and Pigs Ledge at the mouth of Vine-

States.

THE CHINA CLIFFER RACE

NEW YORK, Dec. 9, 1852.

70 THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sin—Your correspondent. "Fair Play No. 1" has certainly contributed to the amusement of some of your readers, if nothing eige. The pertinacity with which he cracks up English clifpers, and the obliviousness which he monifests with regard to the merits of the same cites of versels that are so unfortunate as to be of American build, hardly justify him in assuming the name of "Fair Play." He is very particular in telling you that Deal is not London and that Holyhead is not Liverpoof, facts that most persons who have studied geography are doubless aware of; but why does he not, at the same time, impart the equally valuable information, that Liverpoof is not London; or in other words, why does he eartfully withheld the fact that the latter port is some

The Erglish papers make the time of the Challenge 202 days. Your correspondent does well to leave out the Racchorse. She is a small vessel, a brig, and cannot by any means be expected to make the time of a large fall rigged clipper ship; but, badly as he says she has done, I will vesture to assert that her time has not yet been beaten by any English bark affoat. By publishing the above you will oblige.

New Yoas, Dec. 8, 1852.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE DEAR SHE:—With reference to the least of "Fair Play No. 1." in your paper of to day, I set to state that Whampoa is the port of Canton, and ten miles distant from it; that none but light river craft or small steamers can or do approach Canton; that all ships are anchored at and sail from, Whampoa, and that, consequently, als computation of two days distance of the one place from the other, is erroneous. Your obedient servant.

River Divisions of the property of the other, is erroneous.

RIVER DISASTER AND LOSS OF LIFE.—About hair past four o'clock this morning, the canal scow boat Green fale, Captain M Campbell lying at Delaware Pine street wharf, sunk in fifteen feet water, and, and to relate two of the hands perished. Another of the men, Themas Jones, was rescued with great difficulty by custom house officers Moore and Smith, of Southwark. He was in an exhausted state The names of the men drowned are Joseph Wood and "Jersey." They were arises in the cabin at the time of the casualty. Immediate efforts will be made to raise the scow, and recover the bodies of the unfortunate deceased. The boat was from Bistol, P.a., loaded with Busk Mountain coal for the Boston Steamship Company.—Philadelphia Bulletin, Dec. 9.

TENAS ELECTION.—As far as can be ascertained from incomplete returns, the vote in this State stands:—For Pierce 4.288
For Scott. 1,646